

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



in re

U.S. Application of:

Masahito NIIKAWA and Hiroaki KUBO

For:

DRIVING DEVICE AND INFORMATION PROCESSING
DEVICE FOR A DATA STORAGE MEDIUM

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed January 14, 2003 and the Advisory Action, mailed April 23, 2003, finally rejecting Claims 1-10, 12-24, 26 and 27.

A Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time is being filed concurrently herewith.

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